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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
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STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF : Administrative Action
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DEBORAH A. TURI, R.D.A. : ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION
License No.22DP00197700 :
:
LICENSED AS A REGISTERED DENTAL :
ASSISTANT IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt and review of the following information:

1. Deborah A. Turi, R.D.A. ("Respondent"), Registration No. 22DP00197700, was initially registered to practice as a registered dental assistant in this State on May 6, 1993.
2. Respondent did not renew her registration prior to its expiration on December 31, 2014.
3. The Board received information concerning Respondent's arrest on or about May 19, 2013, for possession of controlled dangerous substance.

4. On June 10, 2013, Respondent provided a copy of the criminal complaints and motor vehicle summonses. The criminal complaints were downgraded to disorderly person charges and remanded to Spotswood Municipal Court.

5. On February 27, 2015, Respondent informed the Board that she pled guilty to the motor vehicle summonses, paid the fines and that all other criminal complaints were dismissed.

6. Respondent's failure to renew her registration for the biennial registration period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017, has resulted in lapse registration status and provides grounds to automatically suspend Respondent's registration in the State of New Jersey without a hearing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1(b).

Accordingly, IT IS on this 4th day of May, 2015,

ORDERED THAT:

1. The registration of Respondent to practice as a registered dental assistant in the State of New Jersey shall be, and hereby is administratively suspended by operation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1, without a hearing. Any practice as a registered dental assistant in this State prior to reinstatement shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice.

2. Prior to any restoration of her registration, Respondent shall appear before the Board or a committee of the Board to discuss her readiness to reenter the practice of dentistry as a dental assistant and to demonstrate that she can practice with reasonable skills and safety in a manner consistent with the public's health, safety, and welfare. At that time Respondent shall be prepared to provide proof of having satisfied the continuing education credits that were required to be completed during the biennial period immediately prior to the renewal period pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:7.4a(6).

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

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